Sri A. RATHINAM :—" May I know, Sir, whether there is any use to the public other than the Government servants in having the Accommodation Control office in the City? What is the annual expenditure incurred on account of this Accommodation Control office, and why do the Government not have any plan to construct buildings of their own at least for their own servants? "

The Hon. Raja Sri SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" The question does not arise out of the question already put. I want notice, Sir."

Sri V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Sir, in view of the policy of the Government to encourage the mixed construction of houses in the villages, will the Government be pleased to initiate a scheme for mixed construction of houses by allotment of houses to mixed communities? "

The Hon. Raja Sri SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I do not quite exactly understand the question put. There is no distinction now. There has not been any case brought to our notice to show that they should not live together."

Sri K. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, the Hon. Minister was saying, Sir, ' I do not know the reason why this question is put '. Are we to get the special sanction of the Hon. Minister before we put our questions or is the Speaker to take the special sanction of the Hon. Minister before a question is allowed by him? "

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The answers to the rest of the questions will be read by the Hon. Ministers. No supplementary questions will be allowed."

Scholarships to Scheduled Class students.

* 1214 *Q.*—Sri P. VENKATASUBBIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any applications for residential and non-residential scholarships of the Scheduled Class students have been rejected this year for want of funds; and

(*b*) if so, the number of applications received and the number rejected?

The Hon. Dr. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) Number of applications received including those for renewals—40,239. Number rejected—22,903."

Supply of lorries to ryots to transport manure, seeds, etc., in Kottayam taluk.

* 1215 *Q.*—Sri V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Government have received any request from the Kottayam taluk Agricultural Advisory Committee in 1952 for supply of lorries at concessional rates through the District Agricultural Office for the use of the ryots for transporting manure, seeds, etc., and if so, what order has been passed thereon?

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THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" No, but a representation on the subject has been received from the hon. Member which is under consideration."

Tariff concessions to Indian hand-woven carpets.

* 1216 Q.—SRI B. K. NALLASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government of Madras have received any representations from the carpet merchants, Bhavani, to recommend to the Central Government to show tariff concessions to Indian hand-woven cotton carpets as is shown to the other handloom products ; and

(b) whether any recommendation has been made so far?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (a) Yes, Sir. Representations were received by Government from the Handloom Carpet Manufacturers' Association, Bhavani, and the Kaithari Jamakkalam Thayarippor Sangham, Bhavani, complaining about the refusal of the Railway authorities to accept booking of handloom carpets at half parcel rates.

" (b) Yes, and as a result of the same, the Railway authorities have agreed to extend the half-rate concession to consignments of handloom carpets booked by parcel or passenger trains, with effect from 15th May 1953."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Question No. 1217."

SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH :—" I put the question, Sir. But I wish to make a small alteration. The alteration is, in clause (c) instead of the words ' District Magistrate ' the words ' Divisional Magistrate ' should be substituted."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member cannot correct his question now."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" It would be very helpful, if the question is corrected, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" But it would be quite unparliamentary to do so now."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, when a question of fact is involved and when one officer is mentioned and we get all information about it, if a sudden change of the name or identity of the officer is proposed another officer being put in, the matter gets complicated. However, I will just answer it as it stands and the hon. Member may ignore my answer to clause (c)." 9-20 a.m.

Orders under section 144 in Guntur town.

* 1217 Q.—SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether an order under section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code was promulgated in Guntur town on 16th June 1953 ;